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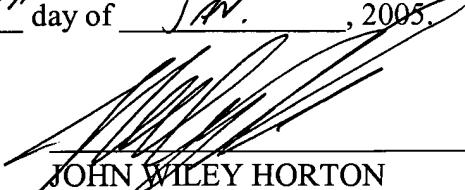
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FOR: IMPROVED ELASTIC SWIMMING EXERCISE DEVICE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

In response to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2004, Applicant hereby requests, pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136, a THREE MONTH extension of time in which to respond. Applicant encloses a check for \$510, which Applicant believes to be the appropriate fee for a SMALL ENTITY under 37 CFR 1.17.

This extension will not extend the time over the statutory period of six months from the date of the Office Action.

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